

EcoRA Work Group Conference Call - Sept. 7, 2000, 9:00 AM - 9:25 AM

Participants:

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==>>Draft EcoRA was mailed on August 31st to the EcoRA Work Group for review. Comments are due to EPA no later than October 6th. Reviewers received either a CD-Rom version or hard copy for review per their indicated preference.

- If you have not received your copy of the Draft EcoRA by the time you get this email, please give Anne Dailey a call at 206-553-2110!!
- As with any draft document, we have noted errors in the Draft EcoRA. We will be sending out an errata sheet next week which will identify substantive errors that may impact your review. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Update of CdA EcoRA schedule:

- The EcoRA review schedule continues to be as follows:

8/31/00	Draft EcoRA mailed to EcoRA work group for review
9/27-28/00	EcoRA work group workshop in CDA regarding draft EcoRA document (to be held at USFS facility in CDA on Kathleen Road) - Agenda for the workshop to be sent via separate email
9/28	6 PM - 9 PM, ID CAC & WA CAC Workshop regarding the Draft EcoRA
10/6/00	Written comments on EcoRA due to EPA

Soil Amendment Treatability Study:

- The Inplace Inactivation and Natural Ecological Restoration Technologies (IINERT) group was provided with the USFWS soil amendment treatability study proposal in

early August. IINERT is conducting a 3rd party review of the USFWS waterfowl soil amendment feeding proposal. IINERT is an industry (Cominco, DuPont, etc.), academic, and government group that reviews treatment/restoration technology proposals, among other things. The IINERT group members have participated in studies on amendments at other EPA Superfund mining sites.

- There will be a discussion about the soil amendments in general, waterfowl feeding proposal, the IINERT review of the proposal, and next steps on September 20, 2000 from 9 AM - Noon PST in EPA Region 10's Willamette Room. A conference line is available as well and the call-in number is 206-690-4529, access code = #5611.

- Mark Sprenger, EPA's Edison NJ Environmental Response Team, who is knowledgeable about soil amendments will be in Seattle for another meeting and will be able to attend the 9/20 meeting.

==> If you intend to attend the meeting, please let me know via a quick email.

- I already have confirmed attendance from Stan Peterson, URS; and Colin Wagner and Sophie Legace, both of Ridolfi.

ArcExplorer:

- EPA mailed the ArcExplorer application in mid-August to a broad group of basin stakeholders

- ArcExplorer is a map viewer software distributed free of charge by Environmental Systems Research Institute and it will provide a graphical representation of surface water, groundwater, and soil/surface sediment cadmium, lead and zinc concentrations in the CdA RI/FS project area

- Laurie and Michelle haven't received their copies of the ArcExplorer....Dailey will sort this out and ensure that they both get copies of the ArcExplorer CD-Rom

Next Teleconference:

- Next EcoRA call will be on September 21, 2000 at 9 AM PST

- Call-in number is 206-553-4557; no pass code required

- topics of discussion will include:

- status of the EcoRA

- follow-up on soil amendment meeting on 9/20 (see above)

- preparation for EcoRA Work Group workshop to be held 9/27-28/00 in CdA

- other topics as appropriate